A SUCCESSFUL SILVER TEA FOR A GOOD PURPOSE.

Many Cases of Grip in the Town and Vicinity-Heavy Shipment of Railroad Ties-Personal and Gen-

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., March 7 .- (Spi cial.)-A silver tea, running two nights, was given this week by the Ladies' Ald of the Methodist church in Spencer's Hall, and was largely attended. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and presented an attractive aprance. On the first night an admism-fee of any amount over 10 cents was charged, and tea, chocolate, and cake served free. On the last night a admission was charged, and the bolder of t ticket was entitled to a saucer of cream. In addition to this, a concert was given, consisting of vocal and instrustal music, to which, of course, no mission-fee was charged. The hall was filled to its utmost capacity, and the isic was greatly enjoyed. Those taking part in the concert were Mr. and Mrs. W. Lane, Jr., Miss Elizabeth Morecock, Miss Rosa Emory, Mrs. W. G. Jones, Miss Rosa Emory, Mrs. W. G. Jones, Miss Florence Person, Mr. Procton, Mr. Thomas H. Geddy, Mr. Hopewell, Mr. C. J. Person, and Mr. J. B. Spencer. A neat sum was realized to aid in constructing a vestibule to the church. The ladles met with such success that they expect to repeat the sliver tea at some time in the very near future.

THE GRIP. The grip is prevalent here—in fact, it is almost as bad as it was several years ago. Many persons are down with it, both in town and the surrounding coun-

Mr. Edward W. Warburton, whose home is in James City, was here to-day, and stated that he had just shipped to the Philidelphia and New York markets 12,000 rallroad-ties, and had contracts for 6,000 cords of pine wood and 1,000 cords of

new Central Hotel, on Main street, has been very much improved lately, and is now thrown open to the public. PERSONAL POINTS.

Captain Joseph Simonson, for many years engaged in the oyster business in York county, and known to the trade as the oyster king of York river, has just returned from a lengthy visit to his old home, on Staten Island, N. Y. The Captain is much improved by his rest, and invigorated by his northern trip.

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Miss Annie Gait left yesterday for New
York to visit her sister, Mrs. O. Durane.
Miss Galt expects to be absent for some

Bunce's Squadron.

OLD POINT COMFORT, VA., March 7.-(Special.)-The vessels of the North Atlantic squadron are still at anchor in Hampton Roads, awaiting the pleasure of the powers at Washington.

Yesterday afternoon, on invitation of Admiral Bunce, the twenty student-of-ficers on duty at the Artillery School paid a visit to the ficet, to inspect the paid a visit to the ficet, to inspect the guns and torpedo equipments. The visitors were very much pleased with what they saw, and regretted that the post did not have anything modern about it, save an 8-inch rifle gun and a 12inch mortar. Howevere, Congress at last appears to be awaking from its RipVan-Winkle sleep, and we may yet have an appropriation for coast-defences before it, adjourns.

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Now that the Lenten season is on and the Hygela Hotel filled with southern visitors the young officers of the squadron are not near so anxious to go south for fleet manoeuvree as they were last fall—in fact, many of them would like to remain here all summer. The Indiana will sail next week for Port Royal, to be docked and have her bottom cleaned, after which she will join the flag of Admiral Bunce. miral Bunce. General W. D. Flagler, Chief of Ord-

nance, and his daughter, Miss Eliza-beth Flagler, arrived from Washington this week and registered at the Hygela. Miss Flagler will spend the Lenten sea-son here with her brother, Lieutenant C. A. F. Flagler, United States Engi-

PERSONAL

Assistant-Secretary Curtis, of the Trea arry Department, spent a few days at the Point during the week. Miss Carrie Stary, who has been home on a short visit, returned to Washing-

The Newport News Water Company is extending its line to the Point, to supply the hotels and private residences. They are also trying to get a contract with the government to supply all the post buildings outside the fort with water.

with water.
The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway
Company has put up a handsome building
at the post, to be used in storing

freight.

The following Richmonders have registered at the Hygeia Hotel during the week: General Charles J. Anderson, T. B. Blankenship, J. M. Blankenship, Miss Belle Perkins, Miss Margaret Vaden, J. C. Dame and daughter, Mrs. Irvin Watkins, Miss Dollie Johnson, Miss Katis Johnson, John J. Crutchfield, V. Donati.

LEXINGTON'S DONATION.

Killed the Mother and Captured the

EXINGTON, March 7 .- (Special.) on the railroad at Balcony Falls, week killed a large she-bear just ons the river from where he works.

She had three cubs with her at the time he killed her, and he succeeded in cap-turing all of them. Rev. Dr. John B. Newton, assistant Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Vir-ginia, has consented to deliver the bac-calcurate sermon at the Washington and Lee University, commencement on June University commencement on June

e 18th.
The appropriation bill passed by the paral Assembly carried a special appropriation of 5,000 to continue the work the Jackson Memorial Hall at the rginia Military Institute. This sum ill be sufficient to make the building say to be occupied, if not to complete altogether. The walls are up, and a roof on. About all that remains to done is to complete the interior. Work ill be commenced upon this with as little delay as possible, and it is expected have the hall ready for the annual memorament exercises in June.

BARE-BALLA. BASE-BALL

A telephone line is now being put up between Decatur and Timber Ridge. The erection of a line from Decatur to Brownsburg is contemplated. PERSONAL.

Rev. J. H. Robinson, of Afton, Va., has accepted a call to become the pastor of Neriah and Collierstown Baptist churches, in this county, and will preach his first sermon at Neriah to-morrow.

Miss Mary Mercer Williamson, of Danville, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Edward L.

Graham.
Mr. Charles H. Effinger, of Baitimore, is visiting friends here.
Mrs. C. F. Keys, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sallie

Miss Susie Wellford, of Richmond, is he guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry Alexander White.

Rev. Dr. R. J. McBryde, rector of Grace Memorial church, has been quite ill for some days past. Lenten services in the mean time have been conducted by Mr. Charles E. Perkins, a student of Washington and Lee University, who is preparing himself for the ministry. Dr. McBryde is improving.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT Of Passing Counterfeit Money-Other Radford News.

EAST RADFORD, VA., March 7 .- (Spe cial.)-There has been a good deal of counterfeit money put in circulation here in the last few weeks, and yesterday two men, brothers, named Sumpter, Floyd county, were arrested and taken before United States Commissioner Shelor, charged with passing counterfelt nickels. They had passed some of the coin on a groceryman, who, noticing the counterfeit, followed them, and found them in the store where the commissioner is a clerk. They had just passed four of the bogus coins on him, and when confronted by the groceryman they paid him in good money. In a short time they were arrested and brought before the commissioner, who held them. Last week some one passed here a number of counterfeit half doilars. The counterfeit is fair, but will not bear close scrutiny. They are heavy enough, but are too bright.

Radford Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy has been organized here, with the following officers: Mrs. William R. Wharton, president; Mrs. McC. Ingles, vice-president; Mrs. J. M. Eakin, treasurer; Miss Julia Tyler, secretary.

BUSINESS-MEN'S ASSOCIATION. nickels. They had passed some of the

BUSINESS-MEN'S ASSOCIATION. A "Business-Men's Association" has been formed here, with the following offibeen formed here, with the following offi-cers: Major J. Hoge Tyler, president; Col-onel J. H. Washington, first vice-presi-dent; Captain E. F. Gill, second vice-president; W. P. Gunn, secretary, and L. W. Clark, treasurer. The meeting this week was largely attended, and several moves were made for improving the city. The stock for the establishing of one in-dustry was all taken in a few minutes.

time.

Mrs. William H. E. Morecock is still in Newport News at the bedside of her son, Mr. Edice Morecock, who has been ill from the grip, but is now much improved. Mr. Morecock holds an important position in the Newport News custom-house.

Miss Jennie Hall, of Richmond, is making a stay with the family of her brother, Dr. Leslie Hall, west Francis street.

Mr. Graham Nichol, of Washington, me of our well-known and popular young nen, left yesterday for a brief visit to Washington.

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Indeed for improving the city. The stock for the establishing of one industry was all taken in a few minutes. It is the purpose of the association to start small and varied industries. R. H. Kello, of this piace, chief engineer of the Hinton and New River railroad, has been ordered to proceed at once to work. He has left for the new line, and there is every prospect that much will be done on the line this year. Messrs, A. A. Cohill, of Williamsport, Pa., and H. G. Henderson, of Winston, N. C., recently appointed supervisors on the Norfolk and Western railroad, have arrived here and entered upon their duties. Mr. Cohill is supervisor between Radford and Roanoke, and Mr. Henderson supervisor between Radford and Roanoke, and Mr. Henderson supervisor between Radford and PERSONAL.

Mr. Harry N. Austin has gone to Atlanta, Ga., where he has secured a splendid position as an architect.

Captain Stockton Reth and family have returned home, after spending the winter in Washington.

St. Albans School, of this place, will have a strong base, hall nine in the field.

St. Albans School, of this place, will have a strong base-ball nine in the field this year. The boys are practicing every day, as they expect to make a southern tour. The nine last year was very strong, and the prospects are that the material now enlisted will form a stronger combination than that of last year.

The Legislature passed a bill making the bridge over New river, at this place.

the bridge over New river, at this place, a toll bridge. One of the effects of this will be to stop to a large extent the haulwill be to stop to a large extent the man in coal from Price's mountain to Radford, those who haul the coal being unable to deliver it for a price low enough to compete with other coals. One gentleman in Radford had purchased 4,000 bushels of coal, and expected to have it hauled during the summer, but the toll at one ferry and one bridge will make it cost him \$4.50 to get it here, and he cannot afford to deal in it.

Getting Ready for the Election-Brief, Mention.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 7 .-(Special.)-The Electorial Board, appointed by the General Assembly for the city of Newport News, and composed of Messrs. Edwin Phillips, B. D. Chandler, and J. L. Marye, Jr., held its first meeting and J. L. Marye, Jr., held its first meeting last night, and appointed the following registrars for the approaching election in May: Flist Ward, W. T. Turnbull; Second Ward, George Lenz; Third Ward, J. B. Cosby; Fourth Ward, J. A. Buxton; Fifth Ward, W. H. Davis; Sixth Ward, W. T. Moss; Seventh Ward, John E. Delk, This action of the Electoral Board is the first step towards insuring an election which will be beyond dispute. Further action rests with the City Council, which meets on Tuesday evening

A SAD SUMMONS.

Mr. Walter Forbes, of East End, has received telegraphic notification that his brother, Mr. Lucian Forbes, is critically ill at his home, in North Carolina, and little hope of his recovery is entertained.

Misses Madge and Kate Forbes left yesteries for the hedgide of their dying terday for the bedside of their dying brother. Mr. Lucian Forbes resided here for a brief period, and was highly es-teemed by all who enjoyed his acquaint-

BRIEFS.

The Union Club gave a dance at Moss's Hall last night, at which about forty

couples were present.

The Senior Whist Club met last night The Senior Whist Club met last night at the residence of Mrs. F. M. Stoever. The United States fishing cruiser Maine arrived here yesterday from Hampton Roads for the purpose of replenishing her coal-burless.

coal-hunkers.

Rev. G. W. Ray will deliver a special address to-morrow afternoon to the Huntington Rifles at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association.

MAJOR ISAAO HAAS. Death of This Aged Citizen of Woodstock.

WOODSTOCK, VA., March 7 .a life-long citizen of this place, died at his home this morning, after a brief illness. He had led a vigorous and active life until a short time ago, when one of his daughters, Miss Kittie, died after a tong and painful illness, and this was followed by the attempt of his youngest son, Walter K., to murder Miss Lucy McCann, of this place. These troubles, coupled together, hastened him to his anexpected death. Major Haas earned his title prior to the late war in the militia of this State. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of this place for more than a half-century.

REPORTED LAND SALE

Brick Clay of Superior Quality-The Spring Elections in the Cockade City-The Mayoralty-Forest Fires

PETERSBURG, VA., March 7.-(Spe cial.)-It is reported to-day that land on the James river, lying in Prince George Surry counties, to the extent of about 1,300 acres, has within the past few days been purchased by northern capitalists, through Dr. E. L. Dodge, of Brooklyn, who has been down to examine the and and its resources. The price to be paid, it is alleged, is \$55,000, or \$50 per acre. There are said to be immense and almost inexhaustible deposits of the finest clay for brick and other purposes under the soil of this land, easy of access, and at the very point of navigation. This clay has been subjected to the most crucial tests, and has been found, in all instances, to exceed in quality the merits claimed for it. The cheapness with which it can be mined and freighted directly on vessels, and thus placed on the northern markets will doubtless create a revolution in the price of bricks alone in those markets, with a large margin of profit to the manufacturers. Of course, all ne-cessary machinery and appliances will be introduced for the mining of this clay. THE OLDEST CHESTERFIELDIAN.

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The oldest citizen of Chesterfield county is said to be a colored man named William Backus, living in the Bermuda District, who, according to his own declaration and the statements of the members of his family, will be 99 years old on the 1st day of next August. He is represented to be a man of remarkable activity and of really good sight. His only physical allment is rheumatism, which has partially disabled him; but still he moves about with a cane and crutch with comparative ease.

THE MAYORALTY CONTEST. It is understood that his Honor, Mayor Charles F. Collier, will have at least one Charies F. Collier, will have at least one popular and vigorous opponent at the May election for municipal officers in the person of Mr. William H. Talley, a well-known merchant of this city. There will, of course, be a primary election to decide whom the Democratic nomines shall be. OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICERS.

Under the recent act passed by the General Assembly the fees of the High Constable in this city are reduced to a mere nominal sum-probably not aggregating more than \$400 or \$500 a year. And yet, it is said, there will be two or more candidates for the office.

The magistrates' fees under the same law are cut down to almost nothing, and

law are cut down to almost nothing, and it will be a rarity hereafter if, under Democratic economy, as shown in this respect, while many State officers re-ceive big salaries and fees, any respecta-ble gentleman will consent to serve as

PERSONAL AND GENERAL. A good deal of damage has been done to timber lands in Prince George county during the past few days by reason of fires in the forests. The high winds prevailing have spread these fires, but fortunately they have been confined to the woods.

The Police Station was to-day draped The Police Station was to-day draped in mourning in respect to the memory of the late Police-Officer Exra Wells.

While the names of several young lawyers have been mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney, it is not believed that the incumbent, Mr. W. H. Jones, will have any serious opposi-

In Norfolk Real Estate Circles-Dismissed Seaman Drowned.

NORFOLK, VA., March 7 .- (Special.) -It has just leaked out that at the last meeting of the Real-Estate Exchange nearly all the members present. There is had blood existing between Mr. Sharp and several of the members, and a personal encounter on the streets would not surprise the populace.

In the Police Court to-day considerable time was taken up in the thrice-postponed case of C. S. Conner vs. Roger V. (1).

case of C. S. Connor vs. Roger K. Gil-bert, who was charged with forging Con-nor's name to a telegram ordering ma-chinery, and also with ordering four sta-tion-lamps by letter without Connor's authority.

DISMISSED.

Justice Burroughs thought there was no intent at forgery in obtaining the goods, and dismissed the charges. Among the witnesses for the defendant was the Hon. John S. Harwood, of Richmond. The attorneys in the case were Mr. W. A. Pentress, for the plaintiff, and Judge D. Tucker Brooke and Mr. H. M. Smith, Commonwealth's Attorney of Richmond, and Mr. George M. Dillard, for the de-

The City Democratic Executive Com-mittee, had a meeting to-night, and de-cided unanimously to hold a primary elec-tion for the nomination of candidates to be voted for at the spring municipal election. The primary will be held du-ring the latter part of April.

SEAMAN DROWNED.

Captain Tawes, of the schooner City of Baltimore, from Philadelphia to Nassau, now in Hampton Roads, came to Norfolk to-day, and reported the drowning of one of his seamen, Albert Johnson, last Thursday night off Fenwick's Island.

Mr. Benjamin F. Walker died to-day at his home, No. 5 Chapel street; ged 40 years. He was a member of Washington Lodge, I. O. O. F. The funeral will take place at 2:30 o'clock to-morrow from the residence. SEAMAN DROWNED.

MEHERRIN.

A Beautiful Dance-Those Present-

MEHERRIN, VA., March 7 .- (Special.)-The hall over Mr. W. P. Wall's store was the scene last night of a delightful and beautiful dance, given by the young men of the village. Among those present were: Mesdames W. P. Wall and M. G. Price; Misses Bersie Staples, Lottle Staples, Laura Fowikes, Tina Jones, Lovelene Ewing, Gertude Ewing, Josie Wall, Daisy Shockleton, Blanche Hardy, Sarah Hardy, Bettle Warriner, and Pearl Dance; Messrs. B. O. Scott, Julian Price, Otho Shockleton, George W. Hardy, S. A. Davis, T. C. Haskins, M. S. Price, Willie Russell, R. D. Davis, Norwood Ewing, J. E. Figg, and J. Walter Davis, Miss Mamie Staples, of Manchester, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Virginia E. Wall returned home to-day. Mr. Julian Price, who has been telegraph-operator, and held a position in Captain West's office, of Richmond, resigned his position there on the 1st day of March, and has been visiting his home people here. Mr. Price left to-day for New York, and expects to sail in a few days for South Africs. beautiful dance, given by the young men

THE ALBEMARLE PIPPIN.

Dr. Randolph's Recollection of Its CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 7 .-Special.)—In a pleasant conversation yes-erday with Dr. W. C. N. Randolph, a terday with Dr. W. C. N. Randolph, a Progress representative was assured that Colonel R. T. W. Duke's account of the introduction of the Albemarie pippin into Greal Britain is correct. Dr. Randolph had often heard his father, the late Thomas J. Randolph, relate the story. Dr. Randolph's recollection is that the famous apple was sent to England when Mr. Andrew Stevenson was Minister to the Court of St. James—a period previous to the marriage of the Queen. Dr. Randolph's impression is that Queen Victoria and married while Mr. Stevenson was

Minister. Mr. Stevenson's wife was a sister of Mr. John Coles, Mr. Tucker Coles, and Mr. Isaac Coles, and aunt of the present Mr. Tucker Coles. It is said that she was a charming and intellectual woman. Dr. Randolph takes pleasure in testifying to her sprightliness and beauty of mind, having on one occasion had the pleasure of reading the manuscript journal of her residence

while her husband was Minster to England.

Her friends on Green mountain sent her several barrels of Albemarle pippins of very fine quality, and she sent a silver basket, filled with the golden fruit, to the Queen. Her Majesty was so pleased and delighted with the apples that she ordered that they should be admitted into the realm free of all duty. Each year for a long time, the Queen sent her order for these apples to the Green mountain. With regard to the Albemarie pippin, Dr. Randolph is certain that he has seen finer specimens of the fruit coming from orchards under the Southwest mountains than have ever been grown under the nearer spurs of the Blue Ridge. The trouble, Dr. Randolph believes, is, that the orchards under the Southwest mountains have never had the fertilization that they should have had. If they had there would be no such talk as the Albemaric needing a special soil—such as does not exist under the lowest spurs of the Blue Ridge—the Southwest mountains. The Green mountain is a part of the Southwest mountains.

THE HENRY MYSTERY.

Wade Lester Fails to Get Ball-Intense Feeling.

MARTINSVILLE, VA., March 7 .- (Spe cial.)-Wade Lester, who is charged with the killing of young Davis, after various preliminary motions and efforts to obtain bail before justices of the peace. judges of the County Court and Circuit Court, and after failing in each attempt, is now incarcerated in the county jail, awaiting the action of the grand jury. The feeling against him in the county is intense, and the air is full of all sorts of rumors. Davis's stomach has been sent to State-hemist Taylor, at Richmond, for analy-

Lectures for the University Fund. CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 7.—
(Special.)—Colonel William Lamb, of Norfolk, and General Newton M. Curtis, of
New York, have consented to give a
number of lectures together for the benefit of the University of Virginia. The first
of the series will be delivered in the
University chapel on the evening of
March 17th.

Colonel A. L. Rives, owner of "Castle Hill," and father of Princess Troubetskoy, informed your representative this morning that there is no truth whatever in the report that he had sold "Castle Hill."

Scotland Neck Nuggets.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., March 7.— Special.)—The Town Commissioners yes-erday passed an ordinance that on and after the first day of May, 1896, all persons selling cigarettes in the town of Scotland Neck shall pay a tax of \$50 for the privilege.

Yesterday quarterly conference was held at Williams's chapel, in the country. Rev. W. S. Black, presiding elder of this district, was here on his way to the meeting, and was accompanied from town by Messrs. O. K. Taylor and R. L.

A treatle-bridge a few miles from town, on the Scotland Neck branch railroad, was on fire yesterday, and delayed the morning train awhile. The Town Commissioners yesterday made arrangements for extending Green

wood street, in the northern part of the Mr. W. H. White left for New York Mr. John W. Thompson, of Raleigh, was

SOUTHERN RAILWAY SHOPS. To Be Built Near Salisbury, N. C .-

WIII Cost \$225,000. RALEIGH, N. C., March 7 .- Ground will be broken next Monday for the new shops which the Southern railway will build two miles from the town of Salisbury. The shops are to cost \$225,000. The officials of the railway state that the shops will be completed in six months. Salisbury is almost precisely midway be-

Death of Rev. Dr. R. B. Sutton RALEIGH, N. C., March 7 .- Rev. Dr. R. B. Sutton, for many years president of St. Augustine Colored Normal School

here, died this evening; aged 76. He re-cently retired, after having been fifty New Mill in North Carolina. RALEIGH, N. C., March 7.—Contracts have been made for building the Morgan cotton-mill at Laurinburg. The mill will have 5,000 spindles, and will spin hosiery

THE PRESENT CHAIRMAN. Lamb's Followers Getting in Some of Their Work-Quay and Morton. The Republicans opposed to Mr. Edgar Allan as chairman of their City Commit-

tee hold a jollification meeting last night at Custalo's Hall. Every ward in the city was represented. Colin T. Payne presided, and John Clinton, Jr., acted presided, and John Chitton, Jr., across as secretary. John Mitchell, Jr., and others spoke. The following persons, having been recommended by the pre-cinct meetings as precinct chairmen, were nominated to the State Executive Committee, in keeping with the plan of party organization: party organization:

lison Ward-First Precinct, William Madison Ward-First Precinct, William Madison; Second Precinct, William Custalo; Third Precinct, Sidney M. Ellington; Fourth Precinct, R. F. Walker. Monroe Ward-First Precinct, John Whindleton; Second Precinct, Simon Robinson; Third Precinct, O. N. Brown; Fourth Precinct, Richard Carter; Fifth Precinct, William Owens.
Clay Ward-First Precinct, William F. Pumphrey; Second Precinct, William F. Pumphrey; Second Precinct, Asa Miller; Third Precinct, James Patterson; Fourth Precinct, John Hill; Fifth Precinct, Carlo Burton.

Carlo Burton.

Marshall Ward-First Precinct, D. H.
Alley; Second Precinct, J. W. Throckmorton; Third Precinct, Anderson
Evans. Jefferson Ward-First Precinct, James

Jefferson Ward-First Precinct, James T. Frye; Second Precinct, Charles H. Johnson; Third Precinct, Wilson Nash; Fourth Precinct, J. H. Childrey.

Jackson Ward-First Precinct, William Winston; Second Precinct, Napoleon Price; Third Precinct, Collin T. Payne; Fourth Precinct, William S. Selden.

The Central Republican Club of Richmond, organized about six weeks ago, was the first to endorse Mr. Murphy, and sent his name to Colonel Lamb for consideration. During all the political tumult this club has managed to keep its proceedings from the press. Both Hon, Levi P. Morton and Senator Quay have solicited their endorsement for their presidential booms.

All of the newly-named precinct chairmen are requested to meet at Custato's Hall to-morrow night at 7:39 o'clock, to arrange for the organization of the several wards.

Mrs. Thomas A. Brander has been appointed to represent R. E. Lee Camp, No. I. Confederate Veterans, to assist in the collection of relies for the Virginia room. This appointment was made at the request of Mrs. J. Taylor Ellyson, viceregent for Virginia.

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(Monday), March 9th, we open our first invoice of Spring Productions!

With every dollar spent in our store to-morrow we will present a Handsome Gift.

Each Dollar Spent Brings a Present! Infants' Tan Button, silk bow, real vulue 75c., our price...... 50c Children's Spring-Heel, same style, real value \$1, our price.... 75c. Children's Tan Button, 9 to 11, two shades, real value \$1.25, our price..... Misses' Tan Button, 12 to 2, two shades, real value \$1.50,

Ladies' Tan Button and Lace, Twentieth Century style, worth \$2, our price..... Job lot Ladies' Tan Lace...... 1.25

Job lot Misses' and Children's Tan Lace and Button, arranged in stock with special prices on same. Ladies' Vici Kid Hand-Made Tan Button, worth \$4, our price 3.00 See sample displayed in window.

1 lot Misses' Tan Lace, spring heel..... Other Spring Attractions-\$2 Hand-Welt Oxfords-1896 styles. Our house is the same old one-price place.

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If you will only take a look at our Immense Stock of Chiffonnieres in Mahogany, Oak, Walnut, Curly Birch, and B. E. Maple, you will be convinced beyond a doubt that we can save you 25 per cent. This is our Chiffonniere Week. Remember, we have them from \$4.95 up.

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Breakfast-Plates that sold for \$4 per dozen, now \$2.50 per dozen. Dinner-Plates that sold for \$4.50 per dozen, now 13 per dozen. Bread- and Butter-Plates that sold for \$3 per dozen, now #3 per dozen. Soup-Plates that sold for \$4.50 per dozen, Oyster-Plates that sold for \$3.50 per dozen, Sauce-Plates that sold for \$2.50 per dozen, Butter-Plates that sold for \$1.25 per dozen, now 75c. per de Dishes that sold for S5c, per dozen, now

Tea-Plates that sold for \$3.50 per dozen, now \$2.25 per dozen.

Breakfast-Plates that sold for \$4 per Dishes that sold for \$1.50 each, now preakfast-Plates that sold for \$4 per Dishes that sold for \$1.50 each, now Covered Dishes that sold for \$2.50 each, Oyster-Tureens that sold for \$4.50 \$1.50 each. Boats that sold for for \$2 each, Salad-Dishes that sold for \$2.50 each, now Butter-Dishes that sold for \$1.50 each, each.
Dishes that sold for \$3 each, now \$1.85 | Coffee-Cups and Saucers that sold for

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each, 51.75 per dozen; 30 per 100.
Apple, 2- and 3-year, 4 to 5 feet high, 12c.
each, 51.25 per dozen; 35 per 100.
Peach, 1-year, 4 to 6 feet, 15c. each; 31.75
per dozen; 310 per 100.
Peach, 1-year, 3 to 4 feet, 12c. each; 31.75
per dozen; 37 per 100.
Pear sid., 5 to 7 feet, 35c. each; 34 per
dozen; 35 per 100.
Cherries, 6 to 6 feet, 30c. each; 34 per
dozen; 35 per 100.
Cherries, 6 to 6 feet, 36c. each; 350 per
dozen; 3 to 4 feet, 35c. each; 350 per
dozen; 3 to 4 feet, 35c. each; 350 per
dozen; 3 to 4 feet, 35c. each; 350 per
dozen; 5 to 6 feet, 36c. each
Pluma and Apricots, 35c. each; 350 per
dozen; 5 to 4 feet, 36c. each
Grapes, 2-year, from 10 to 50c. each and
from 35 to 310 per 100.
Also, Quinces, Currants, Gooseberries,
Raspberries, Blackbarries, Strawberries, etc. Evergreen, Ornamental
Trees, and Shrubs,
POLAND CHINA PIGS, 2 months old,
eligible to registry, 35 each; per pair,
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